**TV Serials Pending for Approval**

3729. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the TV serials and feature films pending for clearance with the Ministry and the reasons therefor and since when;

(b) the norms adopted for their approval;

(c) whether the feature films and T.V. & serials already approved for telecast fulfilled these norms; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VIYAS) : (a) No T.V. serial or feature film is pending clearance in the Ministry. However, clearance of serials and feature films for telecast on Doordarshan is a continuing process with Doordarshan.

(b) The broad guidelines adopted for approval of feature films and T.V. serials for telecast are given below:

*Guidelines for approval of feature films*

(i) International/National/State A ward won

(ii) Thematic value

(iii) Cinematic value

(iv) Entertainment value

(v) Year of production

(vi) Suitability for family viewing

(vii) Extent to which the film has already been commercially exploited; and

(viii) Number of times the film has been shown on TV and from which Stations/Kendras.

*Guidelines for approval of T.V. serials*

Doordarshan shall endeavour to approve programmes which propagate high social values combined with wholesome entertainment. In particular, preference will be given to programmes which:

(i) promote good socio-cultural values ;

(ii) seek to inculcate in the viewers equal respect for different religions, languages, schools of thought, cultures, etc; promote national integration and uphold the values enshrined in the Constitution of India;

(iii) project fairly the rich cultural diversity of the country;

(iv) promote the welfare of the weaker sections of the society and reflect the life of the people of rural India;

(v) promote healthy respect for the place of women in our society and highlight the aspirations and problems of the youth:

(vi) seek to promote a scientific temper amongst the viewers.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**Houses to Homeless Labourers**

3730. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the agriculture labourers in the country, State-wise:

(b) the average percentage of homeless labourers out of them;

(c) whether the Government propose to formulate any new schemes for providing houses to homeless labourers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) The number of Agricultural labourers as per 1981 census, State-wise, is given in Statement-I.

(b) As the number of homeless labourers was not collected in the 1981 census, it is not possible to provide this information.

(c) At present, Government do not propose to formulate any new schemes for providing houses for homeless labourers.

(d) Question does not arise.

**STATEMENT**

| *Sl. No.* | *State/U.T.* | *Agriculture Labourers as per 1981 census* |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 8325017 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 7796 |
| 3. | Assam | 521595** |
| 4. | Bihar | 7366973 |
| 5. | Goa | 32394 |
| 6. | Gujarat | 2488300 |
| 7. | Haryana | 590324 |
| 8. | Himachal Pradesh | 40072 |
| 9. | Jammu & Kashmir | 63540 |
| 10. | Karnataka | 3655197 |
| 11. | Kerala | 1917362 |
| 12. | Madhya Pradesh | 4857829 |
| 13. | Maharashtra | 6470855 |
| 14. | Manipur | 28613 |
| 15. | Meghalaya | 57899 |
| 16. | Mizoram | 5118 |
| 17. | Nagaland | 2979 |
| 18. | Orissa | 2396974 |
| 19. | Punjab | 1092225 |
| 20. | Rajasthan | 764625 |
| 21. | Sikkim | 4887 |
| 22. | Tamil Nadu | 6037601 |
| 23. | Tripura | 146089 |
| 24. | Uttar Pradesh | 5177074 |
| 25. | West Bengal | 3891531 |
| 26. | A. & N. Islands | 2337 |
| 27. | Chandigarh | 856 |
| 28. | D.& N. Haveli | 4592 |
| 29. | Daman & Diu | * |
| 30. | Delhi | 16131 |
| 31. | Lakshadweep | Nil |
| 32. | Pondicherry | 54514 |
| | ALL INDIA | 56021299 |

*Information included in Goa.

**Projected figures, as, 1981 census was not held in Assam.

*Source.* : 1981 census.

[*English*]

**Impact of cut in fertilizer subsidy**

3731. SHRI P. C. THOMAS: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the impact of cut in fertilizer subsidy on the farmers;

(b) whether the proposed hike in support prices of agricultural goods will include Rubber, Coffee, Tea, Pepper and plantation crops; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Government has removed price and movement controls on low analysis fertilizers such as Ammonium Sulphate, Ammonium Chloride, Calcium Ammonium Nitrate and Sulphate of Potash. The prices of other fertilizers have been increased by 30% on an average. Farmers will be compensated for the increase in the price of fertilizers through suitable increases in procurement prices. The increase in fertilizer prices is not expected to affect the agricultural production adversely.

(b) and (c) A Bench Mark Price, with a lower ceiling for market intervention, is fixed periodically for the natural rubber. A Minium Release Price is also fixed periodically in res-